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OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education
FROM: Joy Hofmeister
DATE: June 23, 2016
SUBJECT: Statutory Waiver for Library Media Specialist Certification Exemption

The following schools are requesting exemption from library media certification requirements pursuant to 70 O.S. § 3-126 for the 2016-2017 school year. A certified teacher will be used as the librarian while pursuing library media certification. Approval is recommended.

District	County	Waiver (Years)	Students Served
Navajo	Jackson* (3)	3	483

* The number in the County category represents the Congressional District.
See the attached map.

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Attachments

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Deregulation/Statutory Waiver Application Worksheet

** SCHOOL YEAR 2016-2017****

Superintendent: Vicki Nance **County:** Jackson
District Name: Navajo **Date Received:** May 19, 2016
School Name: Elem., Jr. and High **Date of Application:**
RAO: Kim Hale
O.A.C. Number:
Statute Number: 70 OS 3-126 – Library Media Specialist Certificate Exemption

	Yes	No	NA	Need
Correct Form:	X			
Correct Standard Stated:	X			
Principal's Signature:	X			
Superintendent's Signature:	X			
Board President's Signature:	X			
Notary with Seal:	X			
Equivalency/Letter of Explanation:	X			
Bell Schedule:				
School Calendar:				
Contract(Library/Counseling):				

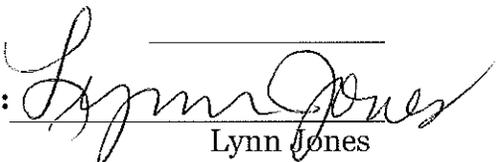
Focus, Priority, Targeted Intervention school-

Enrollment

High School	102
Middle/Junior High School	111
Elementary School	270
Total Enrollment	483

Description: Requesting waiver to allow teacher to operate library while obtaining a Library media Specialist degree and certificate

Board Month: June 2016

Approval: 
Lynn Jones

Abbreviated Day/COOP
 Approved via e-mail(attached)

Project Year: 3 of 3
School Year: 2016-2017
Timeline:
CC:

Notification
 Superintendent will attend
 Principal will attend

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**SCHOOL SITE STATUTORY WAIVER/EXEMPTION APPLICATION
FOR 20 16 - 20 17 SCHOOL YEAR**

Name of Site(s): Navajo Elementary
Navajo Junior High School
Navajo High School

Name of School District: Navajo Public Schools

Signature of Principal(s):* Glenn Harty Date 5/10/16
Floyd Roach Date 5/10/2016
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Signature of Superintendent:* John Vance Date May 10, 2016

County Name: Jackson County

I hereby certify that this deregulation application was approved by our
local board of education at the meeting on May 10, 2016
Wayne Cain
Signature of Board President*

Notary: Sharon Williams
Date: May 10, 2016 My Commission Expires: 7-1-2019

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70 O.S.	<u>3-126</u>

1. Statement of the Statute to be Waived: (specify statutory citation)

70 O.S. 3-126 Library Media Specialist

*Original signatures are required.

Library Media Specialist Certificate Exemption

Section 42.8. Requirements for Exemption.

A. A school district may develop an educational improvement plan which includes exemption for the educational-related statutory requirements set forth in subsections C of this section and State Board of Education rules for the school district, a school site or any program, grade level, consortium of schools or school districts or other group within the school district. The board of education of the school district shall, through adoption of a resolution, approve the plan prior to application being made to the State board of Education.

B. Each educational improvement plan approved by the State Board of Education shall include the following components:

1. A description of the educational benefits to be derived;
2. A definition of the standards of the plan;
3. Development of definitive work products, such as site improvement plans and progress reports;
4. Demonstration of collaboration by teachers, administrators, higher education representatives, students, parents/families, and the community;
5. Development and the use of an assessment mechanism to determine progress in meeting the goals and objectives of the plan;
6. Development of an in-service training plan to be provided to personnel at the site who will participate in the project;
7. Report on the results of the plan to the State Board of Education and provision of appropriate technical assistance to other school districts and the State Department of Education as required; and
8. Explanation of how the plan will affect other schools, program or sites in the district.

C. Each educational improvement plan shall include a list of the specific educational-related statutory requirements and State Board of Education rules the school district is requesting an exemption from and why each exemption is necessary to success of the plan. The school district shall not be granted an exemption from federal educational-related requirements. A school district may request an exemption from any statutory requirement or State Board of Education rule not related to bilingual and special education programs, health and safety provisions, school finance, State Aid, pupil formula weights, teacher salary and teacher retirement, the Oklahoma School Testing Program, the Oklahoma Educational Indicators Program and the teacher preparation, examination, licensure, certification, residency and professional development system. The State Board of Education may grant district-wide exemptions from certification requirements for Library Media Specialist to districts experiencing a shortage in this area. The State Board of Education may grant an exemption from certification requirements for superintendents to any district with an unweighted average daily membership over twenty-five thousand (25,000). (70-3-126)

